

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete listing of the claims, and replaces all earlier versions and listings.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for conveying material, advantageously food-industry bulk material, especially cutting offals or food waste, by means of a pressure difference in a conveying pipe (4), in which method the material is fed to ~~[[a]]~~ the conveying pipe (4), and further ~~[[in]]~~ from the conveying pipe to a separator device (5) in which the transferred material is separated from conveying air, in which method underpressure is achieved to the conveying pipe (4) with an ejector apparatus (6) the suction side of which is connected to the separator device (5), ~~[[which]]~~ the ejector apparatus (6) ~~[[is]]~~ being operated with an actuating medium, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ to the ejector apparatus (6) is brought a second medium, the second medium being a especially a liquidous and/or liquid or a liquid and gaseous medium for intensifying the suction effect of the ejector apparatus.

2. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the second medium is brought to the ejector apparatus (6) along with the actuating medium.

3. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the second medium is brought to the ejector apparatus (6) regardless of the actuating medium.

4. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the proportion of the second medium and the actuating medium is regulated ~~if required~~.

5. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the second medium is sprayed into the ejector device.
6. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the second medium is sprayed to the ejector device (6) before the mixing of ~~the~~ gases coming from ~~the~~ a suction pipe (7) with the actuating medium of the ejector.
7. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the second medium is sprayed into the ejector device (6) during the mixing of ~~the~~ gases of ~~the~~ a suction pipe (7) with the actuating medium or after ~~[[it]]~~ the mixing of gases of the suction pipe (7).
8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein at least a major part of the second medium is separated from ~~the~~ gas flow after the material flow coming through a suction pipe (7) has mixed with a flow of the actuating medium and/or the second medium.
9. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein ~~odour~~ odor and/or particle nuisances are eliminated ~~and/or the suction effect of the ejector apparatus is intensified by bringing the second medium.~~
10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein as the second medium is ~~utilised~~ utilized a ~~liquidous~~ liquid medium, especially water.

11. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein as the actuating medium is ~~utilised~~ utilized mainly a gaseous medium, such as ~~pressurised~~ pressurized air.

12. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein as the actuating medium is ~~utilised~~ utilized a liquid-bearing medium, such as water mist.

13. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for conveying material, advantageously food-industry bulk material, especially cutting offals and food waste, by means of a pressure difference in a conveying pipe (4), which apparatus comprises ~~[[a]]~~ the conveying pipe (4) for the material, a separator device (5), and ~~[[a]]~~ means for achieving underpressure to the conveying pipe (4) with an ejector apparatus (6) the suction side of which is connected to the separator device (5), which ejector apparatus is operated with an actuating medium, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the apparatus comprises ~~[[a]]~~ means (30) for feeding a second medium, advantageously a ~~liquidous and/or liquid or a liquid and~~ gaseous medium, especially water, to the ejector apparatus (6) for intensifying the suction effect of the ejector apparatus.

14. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 13, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the means for bringing the second medium comprises at least one nozzle (30).

15. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 13, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the means for bringing the second medium comprises at least one nozzle (12, 30) from at least one opening of which the second medium is sprayed into the ejector device (6)

along with the actuating medium.

16. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[1]] 13, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the means for bringing the second medium comprises at least one nozzle (12, 30)
from at least one opening of which the second medium is sprayed separately from the
actuating medium into the ejector device (6).

17 (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[1]] 13, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the means for bringing the second medium comprises a pump device (35).

18. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[1]] 13, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein at least a part of ~~the devices~~ a device for bringing the second medium is operated
with an actuating medium.

19. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[1]] 13, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein at least one nozzle (30) of the second medium is arranged to the ejector pipe (13) ~~in~~
~~the vicinity of the~~ near a mouth of the ejector pipe.

20. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[1]] 13, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the nozzle (30) of the second medium is arranged to the ejector pipe (13),
advantageously to its wall.

21 (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[1]] 13, ~~characterised in that~~

wherein the apparatus further comprises [[a]] means (38) for separating ~~liquidous and/or~~
liquid and/or solid matter from the gas flow.

22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim [[1]] 13, ~~characterised in that~~
wherein the apparatus further comprises an outlet fitting (39) for leading the separated liquid
and/or solid matter to a sewer, a separate container (40), or back to the separator device (5).